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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 29, 1999 in the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

.Please cancél Claim 5.

4. The composition of Claim 66 wherein said [peptide] <u>T cell receptor</u> antagonist <u>derived</u> from proteolipid protein is a peptide analog of [a peptide agonist wherein said peptide agonist is capable of activating a T cell response to] proteolipid protein.

9. The composition of Claim 66 wherein the composition comprises a fusion protein in which said protein fragment or peptide comprising a T cell receptor antagonist derived from proteolipid protein is covalently joined to said immunoglobulin or portion thereof.

11. The composition of Claim 9 wherein the protein fragment or peptide comprising said T cell receptor antagonist derived from proteolipid protein is positioned within at least one